MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I have already stated I have no information.

PRESIDENT : No diary is being maintained.

Sinking of wells in Trikkunnapuzha pakuthi.

79. **MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN** (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether any step has been taken for the sinking of certain wells in Trikkunnapuzha pakuthi, Kartikapalli taluk ; and

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative, the progress that has already been made for the execution of the work ?

MR. C. O. MADHAVAN (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) An estimate has been sanctioned for sinking three wells in the coastal villages of Trikkunnapuzha. The proceedings for the acquisition of land for sinking the wells are in progress and the lands are being handed over to the P. W. D. A well has already been sunk at Edakad in Mangalam.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*) : With reference to part (*b*), may I know whether the Government mean spending the money, required for sinking of these wells, out of the lump allotment, with the Chief Engineer, for sinking wells in non-municipal areas ?

MR. C. O. MADHAVAN (*Ag. Secretary to Government*) Yes.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*) : So, if the wells are to be finished during the year, the money required would be spent from the lump allotment for the purpose with the Chief Engineer.

MR. C. O. MADHAVAN (*Ag. Secretary to Government*) : The Chief Engineer says that, if possible, the wells would be sunk within the next year.

Duties of the Mahomedan Inspector of Schools.

80. **MR. P. S. MAHOMED** (*Nominated*) : Will the Government be pleased to state the functions of the Mahomedan Inspector of Schools ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : The Mahomedan Inspector of Schools has to attend to duties of the following nature :—

(1) Inspection of Koran teaching in the Primary Schools.

(2) Inspection of Arabic teaching in Vernacular Middle Schools and English Schools ;

(3) The opening of Mahomedan Schools for Girls and English Schools for Mahomedans, wherever necessary ;

(4) Conducting the Arabic Examination at the end of each year for the Middle School classes ;

(5) Disposal of smaller details, such as determining the qualifications of Arabic Munshies, etc., in consultation with Moulvis ;

(6) Making suggestion of measures for the improvement of Mahomedan education in the State.

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